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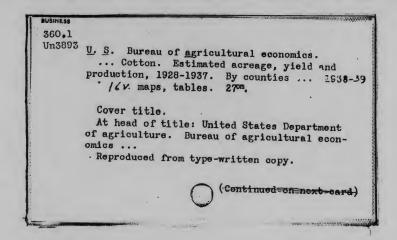
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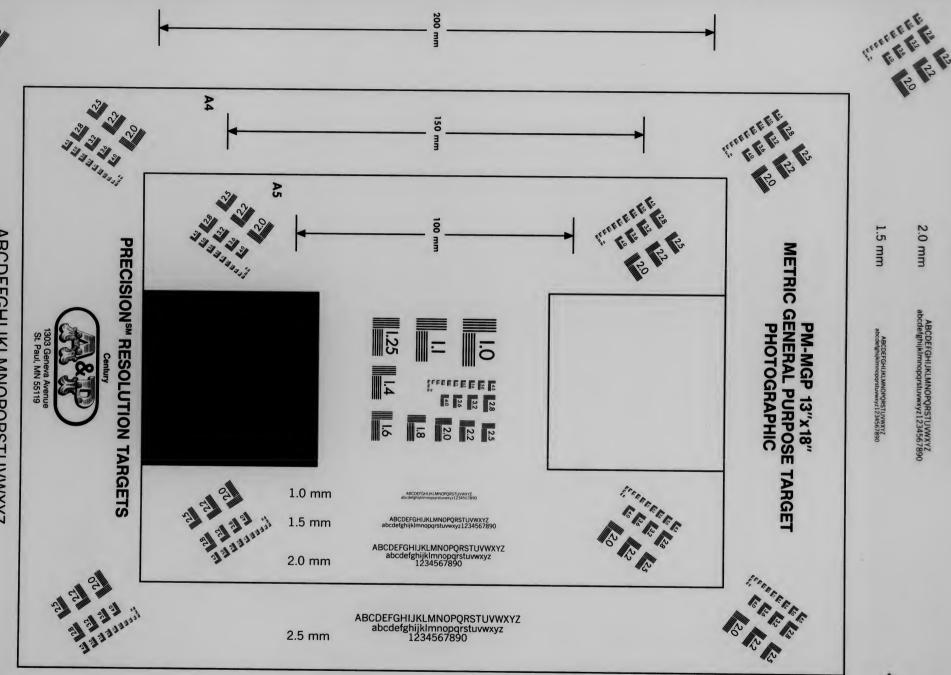
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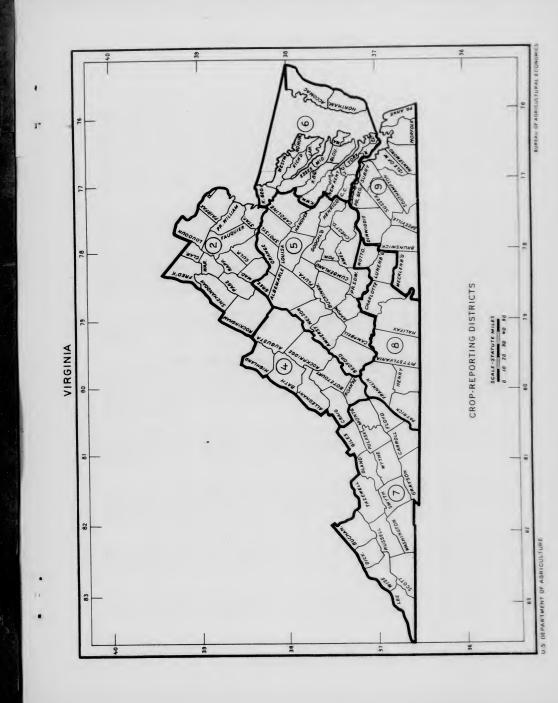
VIRGINIA COTTON

Estimated Acreage, Yield, and Production

1928 -- 1937

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By Counties



- By Counties -

The acreage planted to cotton in Virginia during the past ten years has varied from 92,000 acres in 1930 to 53,000 acres in 1935. The small acreage in 1935 resulted from acreage reductions under contract with the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, and from unfavorable weather conditions during the season, which resulted in such a poor stand that much cotton was plowed up and planted to other crops. Approximately 10,000 acres of cotton were plowed up under the terms of the first cotton program in 1933.

The yield per acre during this period ranged from 230 pounds in 1932 to 313 pounds in 1931. Weather conditions during 1932 were unfavorable for cotton as the early season was dry and cool, which resulted in a poor stand and a slow start. Rainfall during the growing season was below average so that the plants were small and had fewer bolls than usual, and weevil damage was the heaviest on record up to that time. Yields since 1932 have been above the 10-year average due to increased use of fertilizer and the planting of the more fertile fields.

Production of cotton is expressed in 500 pound equivalent gross weight bales, and has varied from 48,000 bales in 1928 to 33,000 bales in 1936.

From 1930 through 1933 cotton acreage increased more rapidly in the western than in the eastern counties, because low prices of fluctured tobacco made cotton more profitable than tobacco. Since 1933 the cotton acreage in the tobacco section has declined as tobacco prices have improved.

The estimates of production are based upon the ginnings within each county as reported to the U. S. Bureau of the Census, with adjustments for cross-county movement of seed cotton.

The estimates of acreage planted are based upon the Censuses of 1925, 1930, and 1935, available data from the Agricultural Adjustment Administration for the years 1933 to 1937, inclusive, current reports from crop reporters, and measurements with the crop meter.

The estimates of yield per acre are based upon yields computed from acres and bales reported to the Census Bureau in Census years, and upon current reports from crop reporters relating to yield in that year.

The estimates of acreage planted and of yield per acre were then reconciled with the estimates of production in such manner that a consistent series of estimates of acreage and yield per acre resulted.

Henry M. Taylor, Agricultural Statistician.

VIRGINIA COTTON: PLANTED ACREAGE, PLANTED YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

1928	1929

District and county	in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	in cultivation July 1	Tield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales
	Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Bales
Amelia 1/ Chesterfield 1/ Prince Edward 1/ Total				===		
Middlesex 1/ New Kent 1/ Northampton 1/ Total						
DISTRICT VIII Charlotte Halifax Lunenburg Nottoway Pittsylvania Total						
DISTRICT IX Brunswick Dinwiddie Greensville Isle of Wight 1/ Mecklenburg Mansemond	11,500 1,190 13,500 - 12,100 9,400	250 278 292 - 270 320	6,010 690 8,250 - 6,820 6,280	12,100 1,790 13,100 	241 271 290 - 269 292	6,040 1,010 7,860 - 7,680 7,200
Worfolk Prince George 1/ Princess Anne 1/ Southampton Surry Sussex Total	1,620 19,000 4,360 72,670	300 - 318 - 257 290	1,020 - 12,630 - 2,340 44,040	2,340 	282 - 289 - 253 276	1,370 - 11,570 2,780 45,510
ALL OTHER	6,330	299	3,960	9,370	282	5,490
STATE	79,000	291	48,000	89,000	276	51,000
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VIRGINIA COTTON: PLANTED ACREAGE, PLANTED YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

1930

1931

District and county	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acresse in cultivation July 1	Tield per planted acre	Production 500 1b. gross vt. balos
	Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Bales
Amelia Chesterfield I/ Prince Edward I/ Total						
DISTRICT VI Middlesex 1/ New Kent 1/ Northampton 1/ Total						
DISTRICT VIII Charlotte Halifax Lunenburg Fottoway Pittsylvania Total						
DISTRICT IX Brunswick Dinwiddie Greensville	13,100 1,850 16,000	205 235 234	5,640 910 7,850	12,500 1,400 13,300	260 310 316	6,750 900 8,710
Isle of Wight 1/ Mecklenburg Wansemond Worfolk	11,800 13,400 2,200	219 256 262	5,420 7,200 1,210	13,000 7,800 1,160	270 373 350	7,270 6,040 840
Prince George 1/ Princess Anne 1/ Southampton Surry 1/	20,200	264	11,190	11,700	374	9,090
Suesex Total	5,750 84,500	222 238	2,670 42,090	4,450 65,310	289 312	2,660 42,260
ALL OTHERS	7,700	242	3,910	-5,690	317	3,740
STATE	92,000	238	46,000	71,000	313	46,000

1/ Included in "All Other", but not in district totals.

District and county	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acreege in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre_/	Production 500 lb. groe wt. bales
	Acres	Pounds	Beles	Acres	Pounds	Bales
Amelia 2/ Chesterfield 2/ Prince Edward 2/						
DISTRICT VI Middlesex 2/ New Kent 2/ Horthampton 2/ Total						
DISTRICT VIII Charlotte Halifax 2/ Innenburg 2/ Hottoway 3/ Pittsylvania 2/ Total						
DISTRICT IX Brunswick Dinwiddie Greensville	11,000 1,270 11,600	210 242 235	4,800 640 5,670	12,100 1,880 11,700	236 255 290	4,970 940 6,020
Isle of Wight 2/ Mecklenburg Nansemond Norfolk	15,400 8,080 1,200	200 266 249	6,430 4,480 620	14,000 8,400 1,110	273 296 277	7,180 4,510 570
Prince George 2/ Princess Anne 2/ Southampton	11,200	264	6,170	12,900	300	6,520
Surry 2/ Sussex Total	4,660	214 230	2,080 30,890	5,250 67,340	266 276	2,500 33,210
ALL OTHERS	6,590	226	3,110	7,660	264	3,790
STATE	71,000	230	34,000	75,000	275	37,000
1/ Based on plante						

VIRGINIA COTTON: PLANTED ACREAGE, PLANTED YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

1934

1935

District and county	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acreege in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. groe wt. balos
-	Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Balos
Amelia 1/ Chesterfield 1/ Prince Edward 1/ Total						
Middlesex 1/ New Kent 1/ Northampton 1/ Total						
DISTRICT VIII Charlotte Halifax Limenburg Hottoway Pittsylvania Total						
DISTRICT IX Brunswick Dinwiddie Greensville	9,200 1,410 8,880	265 238 336	5,110 700 6,250	8,000 1,250 8,380	252 250 279	4,260 660 4,930
Isle of Wight 1/ Mecklenburg Nansemond Norfolk	10,200 5,630 1,040	274 328 396	5,870 3,870 860	7,740 6,250 1,360	254 292 286	4,150 3,860 820
Prince George 1/ Princess Anne 1/ Southempton Surry 1/ Sussex	11,500	310 273	7,470	11,300	280	6,680
Total	51,510	299	32,220	47,530	269	27,000
ALL OTHERS	6,490	278	3,780	5,470	260	3,000
STATE	58,000	296	36,000	53,000	268	30,000
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VIRGINIA COTTON: PLANTED ACREAGE, PLANTED YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

1936

1937 Preliminary

District and county	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acresge in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales
	Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Balos
DISTRICT V Amelia Chesterfield 1/ Prince Edward 1/ Total						
DISTRICT VI Middlesex 1/ New Kent 1/ Northampton 1/ Total						
DISTRICT VIII Charlotte 1/ Halifax 1/ Lumenburg 1/ Nottoway 1/ Pittsylvania 1/ Total						
DISTRICT IX Brunswick Dinwiddie Greensville	7,440 1,120 8,810	230 227 272	3,580 530 5,000	9,000 1,300 10,100	285 284 330	5,350 770 6,970
Isle of Wight 1/ Mecklenburg Nansemond Norfolk	6,420 6,720 1,430	234 367 313	3,140 5,140 940	7,920 7,950 1,430	275 349 310	4,540 5,780 920
Prince George 1/ Princess Anne 1/ Southampton Surry 1/ Sussex Total	13,950 3,170 49,060	343 272 294	9,970 1,800 30,100	17,600 4,650 59,950	321 269 310	11,770 2,600 38,700
ALL OTHERS	4,940	281	2,900	7,050	294	4,300
STATE	54,000	293	33,000	67,000	308	43,000

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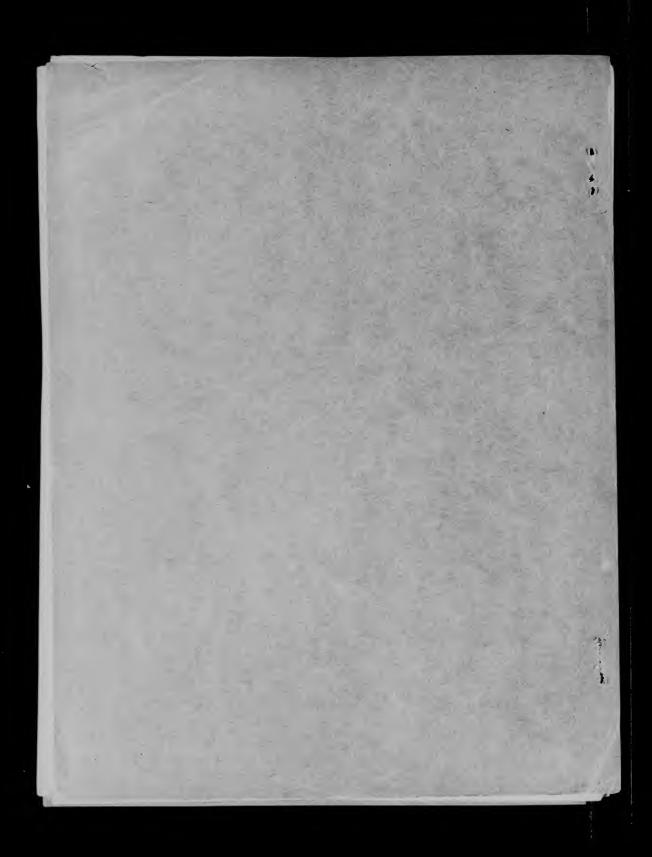
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1936

1937 Preliminary

Dietrict and county	Acreage in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales	Acresse in cultivation July 1	Yield per planted acre	Production 500 lb. gross wt. bales
	Acres	Pounds	Bales	Acres	Pounds	Balos
DISTRICT V Amelia Chesterfield 1/ Prince Edward 1/ Total						
Middlesex 1/ New Kent 1/ Northampton 1/ Total						
DISTRICT VIII Charlotte Halifax Lunenburg Nottoway Pittsylvania Total						
DISTRICT IX Brunswick Dinwiddie	7,440 1,120	230 227	3,580 530 5,000	9,000 1,300 10,100	285 284 330	5,350 770 6,970
Greensville Isle of Wight 1/ Macklenburg Nansemond Norfolk	8,810 - 6,420 6,720 1,430	272 - 234 367 313	3,140 5,140 940	7,920 7,950 1,430	275 349 310	4,540 5,780 920
Prince George 1/ Princess Anne 1/	13,950	343	9,970	17,600	321	11,770
Southampton Surry Sussex Total	3,170 49,060	272 294	1,800 30,100	4,650 59,950	269 310	2,600 38,700
ALL OTHERS	4,940	281	2,900	7,050	294	4,300
STATE	54,000	293	33,000	67,000	308	43,000
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